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David. I have attached some of our fact sheets. Let me know what you think and I will reconnect with you on Friday.

Thanks again - Crystal

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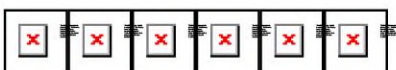
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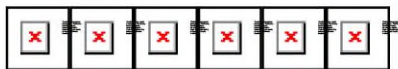
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NEW ENGLAND CLEAN ENERGY

CONNECT *FACT CHECK*

FACT: New England Clean Energy Connect (NECEC) brings direct benefits to Maine.



\$18 million

The project will generate \$18 million a year in new tax revenue for host communities, supporting first responders, schools, local infrastructure, and property tax relief.

\$15 million

The project provides \$15 million for fiber optic cable and broadband expansion in Somerset and Franklin counties.

\$15 million

\$15 million for electric vehicle infrastructure, too.

\$10.5 million

And the NECEC will provide economic development and funding of regional tourism in Western Maine.

Maine has the opportunity to create high-paying local jobs by importing clean, renewable hydro-electric power from our neighbor to the north. The New England Clean Energy Connect (NECEC) directly benefits Mainers by expanding broadband access in Western Maine and by lowering wholesale electric costs throughout the state.

Why should we continue to rely on untrustworthy, out-of-state oil and gas companies to power our homes? Mainers deserve better. Renewable hydro-electric power is more reliable and more in line with Maine's values.

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FACT: New England Clean Energy Connect (NECEC) is good for Maine's environment.



Cleaner Air

The NECEC will remove more than 3 million metric tons of carbon emissions from the region every year. That's the equivalent of removing 700,000 cars from the road.

Forest Conservation

The NECEC will help protect and preserve Maine's 17.6 million acres of the most beautiful woods in the world. 2/3rds of the route follows existing power lines created for the state's hydroelectric industry almost a century ago. The remaining 53 miles of new corridor is just 54 feet wide and will run through commercial working forests.

Small Footprint

The approximately 964 acres that comprise the NECEC will be maintained with scrub-shrub vegetation. By comparison, Maine's woodland owners typically harvest timber on over 400,000 acres a year, according to the Maine Forest Service.

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Cleaner Electricity. Straight to Maine.

Maine has the opportunity to create high-paying local jobs by importing clean, renewable hydro-electric power from our neighbor to the north. The New England Clean Energy Connect (NECEC) directly benefits Mainers by delivering cleaner energy, lowering electric costs throughout the state, and expanding broadband access in Western Maine.

The NECEC will generate \$18 million a year in new tax revenue for host communities, supporting first responders, schools, local infrastructure, and property tax relief; \$15 million for fiber optic cable and broadband expansion in Somerset and Franklin counties; \$15 million for electric vehicle infrastructure; and \$10.5 million for economic development and funding of regional tourism in Western Maine.

The project will create over 1,600 good-paying construction jobs and invest \$200 million dollars in upgrades to the grid. In fact, work on the project has already started in Somerset County, employing 360 workers who are Maine residents and paying an average of \$38 per hour, plus benefits. According to the Maine Center for Business and Economic Research, the project will add over a half-billion dollars to Maine's economy.

The NECEC protects Maine's valuable forest with a small footprint, impacting only 964 total acres while permanently conserving more than 40,000 acres in the same area. By comparison, Maine's woodland owners typically harvest timber on over 400,000 acres a year, according to the Maine Forest Service.

The NECEC will provide \$140 million in direct electric rate relief to Mainers. NECEC will also reduce wholesale electricity prices by more than \$350 million over the next 15 years. And the NECEC has committed \$50 million to helping low-income customers in Maine reduce their energy bills.

Best of all, NECEC won't cost Mainers a dime.

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FACT: New England Clean Energy Connect (NECEC) will create good jobs for Mainer workers.



1,600 Jobs

The NECEC will create 1,600 good-paying jobs for Mainers during its construction phase.

\$200 million

The NECEC invest \$200 million to upgrade Maine's utility grid.

360 jobs already!

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\$38 per hour

The average wage earned by Maine workers on this project is \$38 per hour plus benefits.

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